

DUTCH IGNORANT OF GRAVE ERRORS

Government Conceals Violations of The Hague Treaty

INDIGNANT AT ALLIES

Armistice Treated as Declaration of Peace—Hohenzollern Officially Guarded

Wireless to the Evening Public Ledger

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The Hague, Dec. 6. While the whole world is discussing the problem of the ex-Kaiser's return, the Dutch appear to be living in blissful ignorance of the grave imprudences, dangers of international law and derogation from the Hague convention of which the Netherlands Government has been accused in the last few weeks on questions relating to its hospitality to the Kaiser and the passing of German troops through Dutch territory.

Of the various notes on the subject, it is only permissible to suggest the matter in the press, and many facts are unpublished at all. That is why the people are astonished and indignant at the Allies' attitude, especially that of France, towards the Netherlands. The Government has not concerned itself over whether the Kaiser has officially accepted, but both in the case of the Kaiser and the passing of German troops through Dutch territory, it has accepted facts as Germany has presented them, and the people have accepted the Kaiser as a private person. Moreover, in supporting and echoing Germany's appeal to America to moderate the armistice terms, the Netherlands has ignored the fact that the armistice is an act of war not concerning neutrals, according to the Hague convention. This support of Germany's appeal has been officially denied, but there is no doubt that the step was taken. It was Switzerland's function, being charged with Germany's interests during the war, to transmit such messages, but the Netherlands has an ardent desire to be on the bandwagon, having done nothing during the war.

Arrived in Uniform
The Kaiser arrived November 10 in a general's uniform, with decorations, accompanied by a numerous suite, and the Dutch Government sent representatives to meet him. The frontier station of Eysden was guarded by troops and no one was allowed to approach it. On the Emperor's arrival at Arnhem soldiers, with fixed bayonets, guarded the entrance to the platform there and no one was allowed on the platform unless he was a traveler.

Since that time, although the Kaiser's arrival was anticipated, an arbitrary decision has been taken that he is a private person, while the Crown Prince, who arrived in similar fashion, has been interned as a military figure.

There is no doubt that the deposed Kaiser's position, judicially, has been badly defined, and even more so that of the officers of his entourage. It is declared that they are fugitives or deserters and should be interned as such. The officers and admirals of the Kaiser's and Crown Prince's suites, however, appear to go backward and forward between the Netherlands and Germany unrestricted. The Netherlands Government has not adhered to the international duties of internment, but has behaved as if the armistice meant the end of the war and the signature of peace. The league of neutral countries has made an energetic protest against the sojourn of William Hohenzollern in the Netherlands.

On November 16 the Handelsblad said that both Hohenzollern must be interned, but the Kaiser had received the honor, attention and prestige of royalty, and the press and influential Dutch circles take the attitude that he is a great tragic figure, evoking the sympathy of Napoleon, having exiled all by his abdication.

Let Troops Pass First
In the matter of the passage of troops through Dutch territory, the Premier notified the ministers of the belligerent powers on November 10 that it had been decided that disarmed German troops could pass over Dutch territory. The information was imparted at midday, but the troops had begun to pass at 11 o'clock, so that the ministers confronted a fait accompli, and could only register the act and inform their respective Governments of the strategic derogation from the Hague convention. After this the Dutch denied that the Allies should even protest, but all the facts in the case have never been published, and the public, which only considers its own economic troubles, is kept in ignorance of the truth. It was doubtless difficult for the Dutch to intern these troops in view

of the economic situation, but the fact that the troops, liberated by the terms of the armistice, should not have been helped to escape possible imprisonment has ended.



A stitch in time saves nine, and an hour of shopping in the morning saves perhaps not nine, but at least two or three hours. The salespeople can give individual attention; the stock, freshly replenished the night before, can be handled quicker; deliveries can be made more promptly and the terrible congestion, which causes endless delays to trolleys and railroads, automobilists and pedestrians, is avoided. Every one has been urged for months to shop for Christmas early in the season, early in the week and early in the day. While it is too late to comply with the first request, it is not too late for the last two.

Deborah Logan

WHENEVER I go into Henry R. Halliwell & Son's, Broad below Chestnut street, and see the enchanting gift baskets of fruits they have on sale I wonder with Omar Khayyam "what the vintners buy one-half so precious as the stuff they sell." Nowhere in town is there such a large assortment of baskets, particularly Japanese. Laid in before the supply was cut off, these bamboo baskets, in Susudaki finish, come in eight different styles and sizes. Some are hamper, some round, some flat, some high, some semitransparent, others a wonderful double weave with rolled edge. Heaped to the handles with the most gorgeous apples, pears, grapes and oranges that the country can produce, arranged in the inimitable Halliwell manner, they are fit for the ransom of more than a king.

COMBINATIONS of black and white are always beautiful. They have a style and individuality all their own. Due no doubt to the striking color contrast. Every woman understands this and will appreciate and revel in the exquisite new jewelry gotten out by Bailey, Banks & Biddle Company. Black onyx in combination with diamonds and mounted in platinum. Doesn't that sound stunning? You know how fashionable onyx was a generation or two ago. They have taken a leaf out of grandmother's jewelry case and developed it into a beautiful flower. Flexible bracelets, studded alternately with diamonds and glistening onyx; finger rings, lavallieres, brooches, earrings, scarfpins and graceful barmes all carry out the same idea in a variety of designs which beggar description.

"MAIDENS, like moths, are caught by glare." That must have been the way the H. D. Dougherty Company, 1632 Chestnut street, captured the dainty maidens painted on their electric lamp shades and screens, for in their beautiful collection there are several little ladies who smile alluringly into the room they light. Birds, too, with their brilliant plumage are favorite designs, must be hand-painted on parchment, and both these and the silk shades may be made to order to match any color scheme desired. One of the newest shades, for a debutante's boudoir, is of deep pink chiffon, ornamented with festoons of black velvet ribbon and delicate bunches of flowers in pastel shades. Combined with a mahogany stand, of which they have a large variety, it is most fetching.

WHENEVER you feel jaded, tired and old, that's the time to do your Christmas shopping for the wee ones of the family. Wander around the Toy Department of B. F. Dewees, 1122 Chestnut street, and see if your spirit does not rise. First you will hunt your childhood favorites for old acquaintance sake, then you will choose the newest things for young acquaintance sake, and by this time your gloom will have vanished, particularly if you started off by looking at the "Moving Picture Books," which are extremely comical and afford endless amusement. The Wonder Blocks, introducing Mother Goose characters, and the Funny-Face Family Blocks will also please the kiddies, while older boys would like the "Aviation Book," with beautiful illustrations of the world's airplanes.

THE secret of being well dressed is really no secret at all. It is merely a question of going to the right shop, trusting the right salesman and buying the right clothes! Of course, I am talking to men (women never think any one's judgment right but their own), who get this triple combination at MacDonald & Campbell's, 1334-36 Chestnut street. If seeking a new overcoat why not examine their distinctive line of English Fleece Overcoats, one of the warmest, roomiest, fleeciest coats of the season, the kind that wraps you in generous folds and makes you forget there is such a thing as shivering. Of the finest Australian and Shetland wool, made in the latest style, good for any occasion or any age man, they are the top notch in everything—except price.

TO SEIZE an opportunity when it presents itself without waiting for it to be lost is a lesson hard to learn, but I am sure the most confident procrastinator will not long delay paying a visit to C. J. Heppes & Son, 1117-19 Chestnut street, when they learn that they have a number of high-grade used pianos which are being sold off at extremely low figures. These pianos, both up-rights and grands, have been rented by householders at summer resorts, well-to-do people with homes at the seashore, mountains or in the suburbs. Many of the pianos, which were taken by the Heppes in trade, bear the names of the best known piano makers of the country, and since being returned to the shop have been put in thorough repair. Don't miss these "summer-resort" pianos.

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